



RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP NO. 2873

PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
AKIHISA HORIUCHI )  
Appln. No.: 09/698,115 ✓ )  
Filed: October 30, 2000 ✓ )  
For: ZOOM LENS AND OPTICAL )  
APPARATUS USING THE SAME :  
Examiner: T. Thompson  
Group Art Unit: 2873  
July 19, 2002

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Official Action dated March 19, 2002, for one month, from June 19, 2002 to July 19, 2002.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$110.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in, or overpayment of, this fee should be charged, or credited to, Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this petition is enclosed.

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Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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